



Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities

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Jed W. Morison
Superintendent/CEO

REGULAR MEETING

**Minutes
June 27, 2013**

Members Present: John Bickley, Linda Craig, Marie Crawford, Dean Fadel, Helen Ninos, Beth Savage, Renee Stein

Members Excused: n/a

Staff Present: Jed Morison, Jack Beatty, Dan Darling, Linda Fleming, Martin Kerscher, Marcy Samuel, Dot Yeager

The Regular meeting of the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities was called to order by President Fadel.

MINUTES

Ms. Craig moved to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held on May 16, 2013, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion carried unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget & Finance Report: Ms. Savage reported that the Finance Committee met and reviewed overall receipts and disbursements. As of the end of May, expenditures are at 41% of budget and receipts are at 51%. The committee discussed the 2014/2015 proposed state budget, which is expected to be approved soon. Dot Yeager, CFO, also provided an update on long term budget plans.

The committee also reviewed resolutions to be considered later in the meeting and will recommend approval.

Ms. Savage moved for approval of the Finance Report, second by Ms. Stein. Motion carried unanimously.

Human Resources Report: Mr. Bickley indicated that the H.R. Committee reviewed personnel actions for the past month, including new hires, resignations and retirements. It was also noted that service coordinator, Peter Williams, passed away recently.

Summer Center staff has been hired for summer programs and everyone is off to a great start.

The committee also heard updates on some of our major strategic initiatives in Early Childhood, Schools, Adult Programs and some of our special services.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Summer Center programs for children in our early childhood and school programs started this week. We are off to a good start.
- The Ohio Special Olympics State Games will be held this weekend. Opening Ceremonies will be on Friday night in the Jesse Owens Stadium, beginning at 7:00 p.m.
- Thanks to the efforts of staff member Jacqueline Boyle, ARC Studios will have a display of 50 large scale paintings from June 11 to July 27 at the Urban Arts Space, 50 W. Town Street (Lazarus Building), Gallery hours are from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and open till 8:00 p.m. on Thursday. Urban Arts Space is an arts initiative of the OSU College of Arts and Sciences. The artists are served by FCBDD.
- Once again, the good people from Smith Barney/Morgan Stanley hosted a golf fund raiser on June 17. Funds raised at the event support our FCBDD Special Olympians.
- State budget discussions for the 2014-2015 state fiscal years are almost complete. We continue to believe that our state funding will remain about the same. While we will not recover what was lost in the last state budget, we can be thankful that further state cuts do not appear likely. One announcement coming out of Conference Committee was that the 12 ½% state rollback for new tax levies will be eliminated.
- Our Self-Advocate Advisory Council met on June 13 to discuss services and advocacy initiatives. One specific initiative of the Council is to change wording on signage, such as parking signs. To many, the term 'handicapped' is offensive, so the Council is recommending that signs use the term 'accessible' as an alternative. Letters have been prepared to send to County Commissioners and Columbus City Council members from the Self-Advocate Advisory Council members. Copies of similar resolutions passed by the Hamilton County Commissioners and the Cincinnati City Council were attached to the letter.
- Teresa Kobelt is continuing her work with the City of Gahanna regarding the development of Sunapple Gardens on Northeast School property. Jean Gordon is the architect assisting ARC Industries with the plans. Jean did the design of an Early Childhood Center and has also assisted with design of our outdoor learning environments.
- Plans are being made for the annual Community Star Awards. This year's event will be held on Wednesday, October 9 at Villa Milano. Winners have been informed.

- The Superintendent is in the process of making visits with our County Commissioners and the Columbus Dispatch to update on our agency status. When our Board committed to stay off the ballot for seven years, we also promised to keep the news media and elected officials updated on our status. Since we were on the ballot in 2011, much has happened related to funding, state and federal initiatives, etc.
- Architectural plans have been developed for the Young Adult Services (YAS) transition to Northeast School. Parents have reviewed and commented. We met with Gahanna City officials last night and all went well.

RESOLUTIONS

- a. Ms. Ninos moved to ratify bill payments approved by the Chief Financial Officer as presented to and received by the Finance Committee June 27, 2013, second by Ms. Stein. Motion approved unanimously.
- b. Ms. Savage moved to authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contract with Columbus Speech and Hearing Center for early intervention services, not to exceed the amount of \$104,755.00 for the period beginning August 1, 2013 and ending July 31, 2014 second by Ms. Crawford. Motion approved with one abstention by Mr. Bickley.
- c. Ms. Craig moved to authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contract with The Association for the Developmentally Disabled for early intervention, preschool, and adult recreation services not to exceed the amount of \$2,637,261.00 for the period beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014, second by Mr. Bickley. Motion approved unanimously.
- d. Ms. Ninos moved to authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contract with MT Business Technologies, according to the state term schedule, for a period of 33 months, for a copier at a monthly rate of \$115.70 and per copy charges for black and white at \$.0073, second by Ms. Stein. Motion approved unanimously.
- e. Ms. Craig moved to authorize the Superintendent to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Franklin County Department of Job and Family Services for up to 2,500 hours of financial eligibility determinations at an hourly rate of \$23.86 for the period beginning July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014, second by Ms. Savage. Motion approved unanimously.
- f. Mr. Bickley moved to authorize the Superintendent to enter into a contract with Alvis House for behavior support services, at specified rates per hour, for the period beginning July 1, 2013 and ending on June 30, 2014, second by Ms. Stein. Motion approved unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - None

ADJOURNMENT

The June 27, 2013 meeting of the Franklin County Board of Developmental Disabilities was adjourned by motion of Ms. Craig.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Craig
Secretary

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